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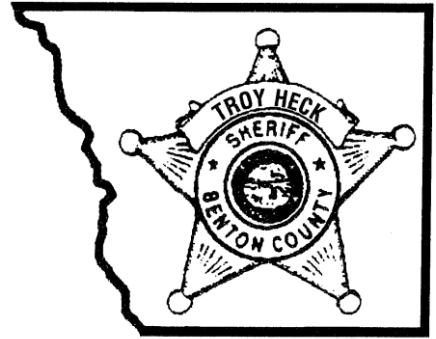
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Troy Heck, Sheriff
Neal Jacobson, Chief Deputy

PRESS RELEASE

DATE: 03/25/2021

AUTHORITY OF SHERIFF TROY HECK

On March 24th the Benton County Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop that resulted in the arrest of a man found in possession of several grams of methamphetamine.

On March 24th at about 3:35 pm, a Benton County deputy was on routine patrol near the intersection of 65th St NE and Golden Spike Rd NE in Mayhew Lake Township. As the deputy was monitoring traffic he noted that a 2005 Chevy Silverado pickup passing through the intersection was displaying expired license tabs. The deputy conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle and made contact with the driver, Ryan Michael Stahovich, age 39 of Foley. During the traffic stop, Stahovich admitted knowing that his tabs were expired and that his driver's license was revoked. Stahovich was asked to provide proof of insurance on the vehicle and he did provide the name of an insurance company and a policy number. The deputy attempted to verify the information Stahovich provided and learned the information was fictitious and there was no coverage on the vehicle. Stahovich was placed under arrest for his traffic offenses and searched incident to his arrest. The arresting deputy found Stahovich was carrying a significant amount of cash and a small baggie containing a substance believed to be several grams of methamphetamine. Stahovich was transported to the Benton County Jail and held on charges of 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime, Failure to Provide Proof of Insurance, and Driving After Revocation.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Troy Heck'.

Troy Heck
Benton County Sheriff